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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: 2003 Qwest Merger Audit
CC Docket No. 99-272

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Qwest Communications International Inc. ("Qwest") hereby submits the enclosed certification of Qwest management required by paragraph 70 of the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order* in the above-captioned proceeding, 15 FCC Rcd 5376 (released March 10, 2000) and paragraph 46 of the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order* in the above-captioned proceeding, 15 CC Rcd 11909 (released June 26, 2000). This certification should be associated with the report submitted today by KPMG concerning its annual examination engagement for the 2003 calendar year as called for by these same two orders. If any questions arise in connection with this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel L. Poole
Vice President-Regulatory Law

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Enclosure

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DECLARATION

I, Teresa Taylor, Executive Vice President - Wholesale Markets for Qwest Communications International Inc. ("Qwest" or the "Company"), hereby state that the following is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Background

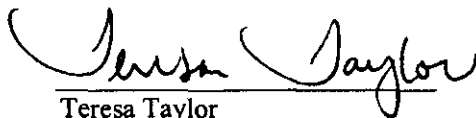
This statement is submitted pursuant to the requirements of the Memorandum Opinions and Orders released by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") on March 10, 2000 and June 26, 2000, in CC Docket No. 99-272, *In the Matter of Qwest Communications International Inc. and US WEST, Inc., Applications for Transfer of Control of Domestic and International Sections 214 and 310 Authorizations and Application to Transfer Control of a Submarine Cable Landing License* (the "March 10 Order" and the "June 26 Order" respectively). In this proceeding Qwest submitted a plan regarding the divestiture of its in-region interLATA services in compliance with the relevant requirements of Section 271 of the Communications Act, as amended ("Section 271"). This plan was set forth in a Divestiture Compliance Report submitted to the FCC on April 14, 2000, and in subsequent filings by the Company with the FCC in Docket No. 99-272 (collectively, the "Company Divestiture Plan"). In the June 26 Order the FCC approved the Company Divestiture Plan as consistent with Section 271, subject to certain specified modifications to that Plan set forth in the Order (as so modified, the "Final Divestiture Plan"). The FCC has required a senior Company executive to file this annual certification that Qwest's "activities on behalf of the buyer are consistent with its representations to the Commission in this proceeding and that it continues to comply with Section 271 and the terms and conditions of this order and the March 10 Order." June 26 Order at para. 47; see March 10 Order at para. 70. In addition, reference is made to the Compliance Plan associated with the Consent Decree in *In the Matter of Qwest Communications International Inc., Order and Consent Decree*, File No. EB-02-IH-0674, FCC 03-107 (released May 7, 2003 (the "Compliance Plan to the Consent Decree").

This declaration is submitted in conjunction with a related report from KPMG, who has undertaken an examination engagement on these matters for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2003 (the "KPMG Report").

Statement of Management

1. For the period from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003, the Company has operated its business consistently with the Final Divestiture Plan, the FCC's Orders in Docket No. 99-272, and the Compliance Plan to the Consent Decree in all material respects.
2. Qwest's activities on behalf of the Buyer are consistent with its representations to the Commission in this proceeding and it continues to comply with Section 271 and the terms and conditions of the March 10 and June 26 Orders in all material respects.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.



Teresa Taylor
Executive Vice President - Wholesale Markets

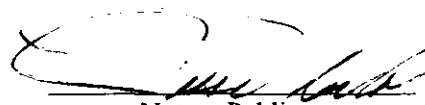
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STATE OF COLORADO)
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COUNTY OF DENVER)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 10th day of March, 2004, by Teresa Taylor.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires 9-24-05


Notary Public

